NSCUDD Solid Waste CDL Wage Increase Proposal

NSCUDD BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 6, 2022

Jacobs

SUMTER SANITATION



Current Circumstances

- ➤ Industry Demand Increase For CDL Drivers
 - > Jacobs currently has 26 CDL Drivers
- ➤ Increase in training requirements for CDL drivers in February 2022
 - ➤ Before February, a class B CDL cost \$800.00 and 3 days of training, now the cost is \$2,800 and 2 weeks of classroom training.
- > Florida CDL Class B Driver average wage is \$41,740 or \$20.07 per hour
- Local competitive wages and sign on bonuses
 - > Average hiring wage in our area is \$20.38 per hour (based on 4 other businesses)
 - Sign on bonuses as high as \$3K
- > Jacobs current hiring CDL wage of \$18.50 per hour is below competitors and the average Florida wage
- > Problems retaining drivers
 - Lost 7 drivers in last 3 months to the competition
 - Have 5 unfilled CDL positions

Proposal –

Increase of \$250K to the CY 22-23 Annual Fee for CDL Wage Increases

Outcomes:

- Increase the hiring wage to be competitive and fall in the mid wage range for Florida
- Improve Driver Attraction and Retention
- Improve Driver Quality
- Improve Quality of Service
- Improve Safety